

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT  
FOR H.R. 1735**

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At the end of title XXXV (page 885, after line 19)  
add the following:

**1 SEC. 35\_\_\_\_. PAYMENT FOR MARITIME SECURITY FLEET  
2 VESSELS.**

3 (a) PER-VESSEL AUTHORIZATION.—Notwithstanding  
4 section 53106(a)(1)(C) of title 46, United States Code,  
5 and subject to the availability of appropriations, there is  
6 authorized to be paid to each contractor for an operating  
7 agreement (as those terms are used in that section) for  
8 fiscal year 2016, \$3,500,000 for each vessel that is cov-  
9 ered by the operating agreement.

10 (b) REPEAL OF OTHER AUTHORIZATION.—Section  
11 53111(3) of title 46, United States Code, is amended by  
12 striking “2016,”.

13 (c) FUNDING.—

14 (1) FUNDING INCREASE.—The amount author-  
15 ized to be appropriated pursuant to section 3501(5)  
16 for expenses to maintain and preserve a United  
17 States-flag merchant marine to serve the national  
18 security needs of the United States under chapter

1       531 of title 46, United States Code, is hereby in-  
2       creased by \$24,000,000.

3           (2) FUNDING OFFSET.—Notwithstanding the  
4       amounts set forth in the funding tables in division  
5       D, the amount authorized to be appropriated in sec-  
6       tion 101, as specified in the corresponding funding  
7       table in section 4101 for Shipbuilding and Conver-  
8       sion, Navy, Auxiliaries, Craft and Prior Yr Program  
9       Cost, Outfitting (Line 020) is hereby reduced by  
10       \$24,000,000.

